

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1 – 12 Cancelled

13. (Withdrawn) A bean mix for stuffing at least portions of a stuffed animal toy, the mix comprising substantially hard particles and glitter particles.

14. (Withdrawn) A bean mix in accordance with claim 13 wherein the substantially hard particles comprise plastic granules.

15. (Withdrawn) A bean mix in accordance with claim 14 where in the glitter particles comprise heart shapes, star shapes and dots.

Please add the following new claims 16-39.

16. (New) An apparatus for supplying a bean mix to a skin of a stuffed animal, the apparatus comprising:

a mixing chamber for mixing the bean mix and having an interior that is visible to a user of the apparatus;

a bean mix supplier in communication with the mixing chamber for supplying the bean mix to the mixing chamber; and

an output pipe having an intake end in communication with the interior of the mixing chamber and having an outlet end used to supply the bean mix to the skin of the stuffed animal.

17. (New) The apparatus of claim 16, further comprising:

a base having an upper surface, wherein the mixing chamber is adjacent to the upper surface.

18. (New) The apparatus of claim 16, wherein the bean mix supplier is a hopper, the apparatus further comprising:

a supply pipe having an intake end connected to the hopper and having an outlet end inside the interior of the mixing chamber.

19. (New) The apparatus of claim 18, further comprising:

an air supply system including an air pump in communication with the supply pipe to force air through the supply pipe to move the bean mix from the hopper to the mixing chamber and to provide an air stream to the mixing chamber to swirl the bean mix within the mixing chamber.

20. (New) The apparatus of claim 19, further comprising:

an air pipe having an intake end connected to the air supply system and having an outlet end inside the interior of the mixing chamber for mixing the bean mix.

21. (New) The apparatus of claim 19, further comprising a motor for driving the air supply system.

22. (New) The apparatus of claim 16, further comprising:

an auger located inside the output pipe for moving the bean mix through the output pipe.

23. (New) The apparatus of claim 16, wherein the output pipe is connected to an air supply system for providing compressed air to move the bean mix through the output pipe.

24. (New) The apparatus of claim 16 further comprising:

a pedal operable to activate the apparatus.

25. (New) The apparatus of claim 24, wherein the pedal is shaped like a bear's foot.

26. (New) The apparatus of claim 16, wherein the mixing chamber has a cylindrical body formed substantially from a transparent material.

27. (New) The apparatus of claim 16, wherein the bean mix comprises substantially hard particles and glitter particles.

28. (New) The apparatus of claim 27, wherein the substantially hard particles are plastic granules.

29. (New) The apparatus of claim 28, wherein the glitter particles are heart shaped, star shaped and round.

30. (New) The apparatus of claim 16, further comprising:

a second chamber having an interior for containing a soft filling; and

a second output pipe having an intake end in communication with the second chamber and having an outlet end used to supply the soft filling to the skin of the stuffed animal.

31. (New) The apparatus of claim 30, wherein the second output pipe is in communication with an air supply system for providing compressed air to move the soft filling through the second output pipe.

32. (New) The apparatus of claim 16, further comprising:

a means to shower a user of the apparatus with a sprinkling of glitter when the apparatus is in operation.

33. (New) A method for custom making a stuffed toy animal, the method comprising:

a customer selecting a skin for the stuffed toy animal from a selection of skins, the skin having a body and at least one appendage;

filling the body of the empty skin with a substantially soft material;

the customer operating a bean mix supply apparatus to fill the at least one appendage with an amount of bean mix controlled by the customer, after the body has been filled with a substantially soft material; and

sealing the skin of the stuffed toy animal to seal in the soft material and bean mix.

34. (New) The method of claim 33, further comprising:
air bathing the stuffed toy animal; and
grooming the stuffed toy animal.
35. (New) The method of claim 33, wherein the skin for the stuffed toy animal further includes a head, the method further comprising:
filling the head of the empty skin with a substantially soft material.
36. (New) The method of claim 33, wherein the bean mix is plastic granules.
37. (New) The method of claim 33, wherein the bean mix comprises plastic granules and glitter particles.
38. (New) The method of claim 37, wherein the glitter particles are heart shaped, star shaped and round.
39. (New) The method of claim 33, wherein the soft material is polyester.